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THE FILING OF AMENDMENTS OF THE CLAIMS**  
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1. The applicant is hereby notified that amendments to the claims under Article 19 were received by the International Bureau on:

11 August 2004 (11.08.2004)

2. This date is within the time limit under Rule 46.1.

Consequently, the international publication of the international application will contain the amended claims according to Rule 48.2(f), (h) and (i).

3. The applicant is reminded that the international application (description, claims and drawings) may be amended during the international preliminary examination under Chapter II, according to Article 34, and in any case, before each of the designated Offices, according to Article 28 and Rule 52, or before each of the elected Offices, according to Article 41 and Rule 78.

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